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Filing Date: March 1, 2002	) Group Art Unit: 2171 )
For: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM CAPABLE OF EXECUTING A COMMUNICATION TASK IN A MANNER ADAPTABLE TO AVAILABLE DISTRIBUTED RESOURCES	) ) )

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicant hereby submits the references listed below and on the attached form PTO-1449 for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of each of the references is enclosed herewith.

## OTHER ART DOCUMENTS

Press Release entitled, "The Mobile Virtual Network Operator: Another Option for 3G License Hopefuls, Says OVUM", 2000, pp 1-4

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of these documents and make them of record.

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